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For: SAMPLE TARGET HAVING SAMPLE SUPPORT  
SURFACE WHOSE FACE IS TREATED, PRODUCTION  
METHOD THEREOF, AND MASS SPECTROMETER  
USING THE SAMPLE TARGET

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Sir:

**RESPONSE TO DECISION ON PETITION**

In response to the Decision on Petition, dated September 23, 2008, there is submitted herewith a new Inventors Declaration signed by the sole heir, Naoko Okuno, of the deceased inventor Shoji Okuno. The new Declaration identifies the citizenship, residence and mailing address of the deceased inventor and the sole heir or legal representative of the deceased inventor.

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